HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 713

By Harrison

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Virgil Mallett of Rogersville.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Virgil Mallet; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mallett was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities as a longtime member of the Hawkins County Commission; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mallett served with acumen and alacrity as the Fourth District

Commissioner since his election to the position in 1998, earning the respect of his peers and superiors alike for the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, Mr. Mallett served on a variety of committees, including County Budget for sixteen years, Delinquent Tax for sixteen years, County Beer Board for twelve years, Education for twelve years, Personnel for eight years, Recycle and Solid Waste for eight years, Road for eight years, Hospital for eight years, Redistricting for eight years, Cable Television for four years, Mediation for four years, and County Insurance for four years; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his role as county commissioner, Mr. Mallett served for many years at AGC Greenland Plant until his retirement, and he was an auctioneer for Richardson and Richardson; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mallett was an active and devout member of the Surgoinsville First United Methodist Church, which he served faithfully for many years as Administrative Board Chairman and participated in the church choir; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mallett was also deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Virgil Mallett enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Louise, until her passing in 2011; he is survived by his daughter, Valerie Goins, and her husband, Randy, as well as two granddaughters and numerous great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his parents, Minnie Quillen and Mitchell Mallett; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Mallett leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Virgil Mallett, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Mallett.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.